

FACT SHEET #10:

Gravel Pads

A gravel pad is a stabilized construction entrance, designed to remove the mud and dirt from the tires of vehicles leaving a construction site.

Using gravel pads reduces fugitive dust caused by trackout onto paved roads and surfaces. The use of such pads may also reduce the need for street sweepers or laborers to remove trackout from paved surfaces, as well as help prevent storm water pollution.

Dust Control Plans require that stabilized construction entrances be installed at all access points if any material is to be hauled on or off the site, or if the site is larger than 5 acres.

GRAVEL PAD DESIGN:

Use one inch (1") to three inches (3") in diameter, washed, well-graded gravel or crushed rock. The gravel pad should be at least 30 ft. wide by 50 ft. long, and a minimum of 6 in. deep. When installing the gravel pad, make sure that it is properly graded.